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## REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

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SIR:

In response to the Office Action mailed on September 22, 2005, reconsideration of the rejection of claim 1 – 21 is respectfully requested.

## Claim Rejections under 35 U.S.C. 102

Claims 1, 8, 16 and 19 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Spielman et al. (US Patent No. 6,560,318)("Spielman"). This rejection is respectfully traversed.

Anticipation requires the disclosure in a single prior art reference of each element of the claim under consideration.<sup>1</sup> Additionally, each and every element must be arranged as in the claim.<sup>2</sup> Thus, there must be no difference between the claimed invention and the reference disclosure, as viewed by a person of ordinary skill in the field of the invention.<sup>3</sup>

Claim 1 concerns a system for providing voice mail service in an environment having multiple voice mail technology platforms. The system has a platform selector element for receiving information regarding a call placed to a subscriber, obtaining voice mail technology platform indicator information for the subscriber from a subscriber profile database, and selecting a voice mail technology platform by using the voice mail technology platform indicator information for the subscriber.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> W.L. Gore & Assocs. v. Garlock, 721 F.2d 1540, 220 USPQ 303 (Fed. Cir. 1983), cert. denied, 469 U.S. 851 (1984).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Lindemann Maschinenfabrik GmbH v. American Hoist & Derrick Co., 730 F.2d 1452, 221 USPQ 481, 485 (Fed. Cir. 1984).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Scripps Clinic & Research Fouhnd. v. Genetech Inc., 927 F.2d 1565, 18 USPQ2d 1001, 1010 (Fed. Cir. 1991).